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This amendment is in response to the Final Rejection of July 3, 2008. January 3, 2009 being a Saturday, this paper has been filed on or before January 5, 2009, with a petition for a 3-month extension and a Request for Continued Examination, thereby making this a timely filed response.

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